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RECORDS
OF THE
COLONY AND PLANTATION
OF
NEW HAVEN,
FROM 1638 TO 1649.

TRANSCRIBED AND EDITED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A RESOLUTION
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF CONNECTICUT.

WITH OCCASIONAL NOTES AND AN APPENDIX.

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under the penalty of loosing all his labour, about every such tree, leaving it wholly to the towne; & paying besides on shilling as a fine for each tree so cutt, but if he carry away the tree or any part of itt wthout leave, he shall pay such further fine as the court shall judge meete.

And that none under the same penalties barke or cause to be barked any trees whether for tanning, dying or other use, wthout order & appoyntment of Serjeant Andrewes, Serjeant Jeffrejes, Sargeant Munson & Corporall Whithead, who are to consider where the tann's, dyers or others, may conveniently gett barke wth least damadge to the publique. And if any man cutt, bark, lopp or fell any tree wthin the propriety or allotment of any planter wthout leave, he shall pay damadge to the owner, according to the course of justice.

[122] ¶ It is ordered that the magistrates, elders & deacons, shall henceforward have the disposing of all howselotts not yet granted, wth the outward accomodations thereunto appertayning, to such person or persons as they shall judge meete for the good of the plantation, & that none be received as planter, either by admission or purchase, wthout their consent or allowance, & that n^o planter or proprietor sell or let any house or land to any stranger or other not before a planter, either by lease or otherwise, wthout the approbation & consent of those before mentioned & intrusted, & all bargaynes, &c. not agreeing wth this order to be void.

It is ordered that every male from 16 to 60 yeares of age who shall dwell or sojourne wthin this plantation, or any part of the bownds & limitts of it for a month together, shall be & continue at all times compleatly furnished wth armes, vizt a good serviceable gunne, a good sword, bandeleeres, a rest, all to be allowed by the military officers, one pound of good gun powder, fower pound of bullets, either fitted for his gunne or pistoll bullets, wth fower faddome of match fit for service wth every match locke, & 4 or 5 good flints fitted for every firelock peece, all in good order & ready for any suddayne occasion, service or view, under the penaltie of 10^s fine, to be paid by or for every person, so oft as he shalbe found defective & faulty; each master or governour paying not only for himselfe, but for all such as are under his charge, for whome he should provide, & others to pay for themselves. It is further ordered that the captayne, (besides occasionall & extraordinary viewes,) give order once every quarter of a yeare at least, to the military officers, that they take a stryekt view of all the armes belonging to the towne, that they may see & report that every male from 16 to 60 be furnished as before mentioned, under the penalty of 40^s fine if he neglect to give order, & that

the military officers doe accordingly take the said view under the penalty of 40^s, to be leyed of them as the court vpon examination shall find cause, & that a due returne of all defects be made to the captayne & by him or the clarke at his appoyntment, under the penalty aforesaid, to the court, that the fines may be duely gathered & that each of those view dayes be so published & made knowne, that every one may bring his compleate armes, powder, shott, &c. as before exprest, to the place & at the time appoynted, under the penaltie of 10^s fine as if not furnished, the monthly court to judge of the difference of defects.

It is ordered that there be henceforward six generall traynings every yeare, vizt, the first Munday in Aprill, the first Munday in May, the first Munday in June, September, October and November. But if any of these dayes prove raynye, so that the service cannot be carried on to satisfaction, it shalbe supplied the next following second day wth p^{ro}nes fayre, or if the governour & magistrates vpon any publique respects see cause to put of the trayning on any of the dayes before named, though p^{ro}nes fayre, advising wth the cheife military officers, it shalbe carryed on in some other fit season as they shall appoynte: on every of wch trayning dayes before expressed, all & every of the males wthin, or belonging to this plantation, from 16 to 60 yeares of age, not exempted by the place or office they hold, or vpon some other respect dispensed wth by the generall court, shall diligently attend the military nurture & exercises, that they may learne the better to handle & use their armes, redily understand & obey the words of command, & be generally fitted for all military service as occasion may require. And whosoever shall totally absent on any of those appoynted trayning dayes; or shall dept wthout leave before the company breake vpp, or shall not be furnished wth compleat armes for traynings shall pay 5^s fine. And whosoever shall come late after the second drume hath left beating, his name being so returned, he shall pay one shilling fine. But if any man come late, & shew not himselfe to the clarke that he may enter his appearance such as it is, it shalbe charged as totall absence, and he shall pay accordingly.

And for the incouragment of military officers and company, it is ordered and granted that all the fines for absence & late coming, whether in the generall trayning dayes or on the squadron dayes of trayning hereafter mentioned shall wholly goe to them, to be disposed by the military officers in powder & shott, &c. that they may set vpp marks to shoote at, or may furnish themselves for their military exercises, that the service may be more comfortably carryed on, & yet, if there be cause,